Sub C1 8. (THRICE AMENDED) A constant velocity universal joint assembly comprising:

a constant velocity universal joint having an outer race;

a boot-can having a first end for mating with said outer race annular housing and a second flanged end spaced apart from said first end and said outer race; and

C2 a non-convoluted thermoplastic rolling-diaphragm boot having a crimping lip received by the second flanged end of said boot-can, the crimping lip having a plurality of radially distributed apertures for increasing the compressibility of the crimping lip such that said crimping lip has a compressed thickness ratio approximately 50% to 70% of an uncompressed crimping lip thickness.

Sub C1 11. (TWICE AMENDED) A constant velocity universal joint and propeller shaft assembly comprising:

a propeller shaft having a first end;

a constant velocity universal joint for receiving the first end of the propeller shaft and including an outer race having a first face;

C3 a boot-can having a large-diameter end and a small diameter flanged end, the large-diameter end for mating with the first face of the outer race; and

a non-convoluted thermoplastic boot having a sealing end, said sealing end having a tubular stem portion for receiving the propeller shaft, and an annular upturned edge crimpingly affixed to the smaller-diameter flanged end of the boot-can, the annular upturned edge having a plurality of radially distributed apertures on a radially inward facing surface for increasing the